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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

Deputy Director for Intelligence
Deputy Director for Operations

Deputy Director for Science and Technology

Administrative Officer/DCI

SUBJECT:

FY 1976 Obligation Rate

1. The Congress has not yet acted on our appropriation for FY 1976, and the review of the 1976 operating plan and 1977 program by the Management Committee and the Director is not scheduled until late in July. OMB has proposed that we consider a budget amendment to reduce our 1976 position ceiling to and our dollar request to We are in the process of negotiating with OMB to restore positions and dollars and permit us to propose to Congress what we consider to be a more realistic resource level.

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2. Congress has passed a continuing resolution to permit funds to be obligated until it has completed action on the appropriation. Accordingly, each directorate and independent office is authorized to incur obligations at a rate that will not exceed one-twelfth of the total obligations incurred during FY 1975. Deputy Directors and the AO/DCI may authorize individual components to exceed that rate if necessary in support of essential activities provided it will not cause the directorate to exceed the one-twelfth rate. If it is essential that a directorate exceed the basic rate, the Deputy Director concerned should seek authorization from the Comptroller, who will determine whether the action can be taken without causing the overall rate for the Agency to be exceeded.

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JOHN D. IAMS Comptroller

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